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## Americans Armed Hitler; Financed Fascism

The present Fascism of Hitler and Mussolini which both Roosevelt and Willkie want us to fight with twenty billion dollars and millions of American lives, was financed, munitioned, preserved, and made possible by American bankers and merchants of death, notably:

1. Bankers Lapowski, Morgan, etc.

2. Munitioneers DuPont, Pratt & Whitney, Curtis-Wright, Douglas.

This Fascism is the same today as it was in 1925, 1930 and 1939. Anti-Fascists said years ago "Fascism means war," "Fascism is the aggressor," "Fascism will eventually threaten American interests." Nevertheless Americans, for profit, supplied Fascism with guns and money, were blessed by the Fascists in our State Department during both Democratic and Republican Party regimes. These corporations, businessmen, and "statesmen" are the real Fifth Column in America. The Fifth Column is always reactionary, always in high position.

## Lapowski Saved Hitler

J. P. Morgan & Co. is the chief backer of Mussolini-Fascism in America, but the man who made Hitler is Lapowski. Here are the facts:

1. Big Business, Thyssen, the Rhine-Ruhr industrialists, bankers, subsidized Hitler. Money saved Naziism when it was failing.

2. Thyssen, who collected the money, was a Nazi in 1923.

3. Thyssen's chief conspirators are Flick and Voegler. In 1927 Thyssen and Voegler visited Mussolini, planned the Hitler coup. Thyssen and Voegler taxed Big Business, notably steel and coal, to finance Hitlerism.

4. Voegler, general manager of the steel trust—Vereignete Stahlwerke A. G. or United Steel—was financed by Dillon, Read & Co. Money raised from American loans made Hitler's campaign, election and terrorism possible, established Naziism.

## Lapowski Into Dillon

Clarence Dillon, head of Dillon Read, was born Clarence Lapowski, son of a poor storekeeper, Sam Lapowski, in Victoria, Texas.

Sam Lapowski's brother Nathan made a fine record in the World War, was a colonel in the Texas National Guard. Sam moved to San Angelo, but his store failed; he went into partnership with Nathan in El Paso, but failure repeated; finally he went into business a third time, and became successful before he died. Nathan resides in El Paso as Lapowski.

Clarence went into business in Milwaukee, married Ann Douglass, took over the Milwaukee Machine Tool Co., belonging to his wife's family, got a job from college roommate, William Phillips at W. A. Read & Co., sold securities in Chicago.

During the First World War Dillon was assistant to Bernard M. Baruch on War Industries Board; in 1919 he organized a \$100,000,000 company later known as Youngstown Sheet & Tube. Dillon got \$100,000,000 to reorganize Goodyear, outbid Morgan for control of Dodge Bros., wrote the famous \$146,000,000 check, became head of Dillon, Read.

Biggest loans to German firms: \$70,000,000 Vereingete Stahlwerke; \$48,000,000 Siemens u. Halske; \$25,000,000 Rheinlbe Union; \$15,000,000 Gelsenkirchen. Gelsenkirchen belonged to Friedrich Flick, third in the triumvirate of Thyssen, Voegler, Flick, which made Hitler—with Dillon-Lapowski's money.

## \$30,000,000 For Italian Fascism

While J. P. Morgan was issuing loans to Mussolini, Dillon Read helped the municipalities. One of the biggest swindles in Italian history was the theft of \$30,000,000 by Belloni, podesta, or vice-dictator, of Milan. Arnaldo Mussolini was involved in this crime, and the stench was so strong the Duce had to send Belloni to the penal islands. This \$30,000,000 was the proceeds of the Milan 7's, floated in America by Dillon, Read & Co.

## Morgan Put Over Mussolini

The same B. Mussolini whom Roosevelt accused of stabbing France in the back in 1940, was preparing to stab Albania, Ethiopia, and other nations, in-

## Willkie Record to Date

DEMOCRATIC Party officials have asked permission to reprint exposure of Wendell Willkie's record. IN FACT permits anyone to quote it, with proper credits. IN FACT informs its readers, however, that its exposure of Willkie does not commit it to the Democratic, or any other party. IN FACT sees little difference between the gangsters, crooks, and political machines of Jersey City, Chicago, etc., on the Democratic side, and the fascists, enemies of labor, and employers of spies, crooks, and murderers (as proven by the LaFollette investigation) on the Republican side. IN FACT will print facts.

## Willkie, Free Press Enemy

OF the thousands who will read this number, only a small minority received our first issues. We summarize therefore the Willkie record from our files.

No. 1, May 20: Eighteen prominent men, mostly bankers and Anglophiles, met secretly to devise a way to fight neutrality, send aid, even armies, abroad. Frederic R. Coudert, legal advisor, British embassy, Thomas W. Lamont, partner of J. P. Morgan who made \$30,000,000 as British agent, 1914-1917, attended. So did Willkie. They formed the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

No. 2, June 3: The Chattanooga News was smashed by the public utilities and sold to its rival, the so-called Chattanooga Free Press. The Willkie corporation set up a dummy organization, advertised, boycotted, subsidized, spent money indecently. State Utilities Commission found Willkie corporation guilty of 917 counts of violating the law, threatened to fine it \$917,000. The murder of the pro-public ownership News, blamed on Willkie by press and public then, is now conveniently forgotten.

## Willkie's Fascist Mentality

NO. 5, July 15: Because 90% of the press has gone over to Willkie, IN FACT said "the greatest attempt in American history to pervert the news is under way." The press was 80 to 90% against Roosevelt in 1932, '36, '38 and distorted, perverted, faked the news, as every impartial survey shows. The press is doing the same today.

IN FACT summarized a sensational speech, "off the record," by Willkie to the National Press Club, Washington, which two members sent in, one declaring it showed Willkie "the closest thing to a native American Fascist." Proof: Willkie favored industrial dictatorship in the U. S.; business should run America without government (i.e., people's) interference; all New Deal social and economic reforms to be canceled. The tenor of the speech was: stop gov-

cluding France, in previous years; the terrorism, destruction of union labor, denial of democracy, attacks on liberty, which form the Fascist program of 1940 were exactly the same in 1926 when J. P. Morgan & Co. saved Mussolini from collapse by lending him \$100,000,000—or billions of lire.

Thomas W. Lamont, Morgan partner, wrote that Mussolini had saved Italy from Bolshevism. This is a lie which Mussolini himself had nailed when he wrote in 1921 that there was no Bolshevism in Italy. Mussolini destroyed: 1. The Popolari, or Catholic Party of Father Sturzo; 2. The labor unions; 3. The liberal parties including Socialists. These parties had 452 members in congress; the Fascists had 32; the Communists 18.

Hiram Motherwell of the Chicago Daily News cabled that Fascist finances were a failure, the country was bankrupt, Mussolini had lowered the standard of living. (The Associated Press, run by Salvatore Cortesi and the New York Times, represented by Arnaldo Cortesi, misinformed the American people.) Morgan was able to sell the bonds which saved Fascism, and every time an alarmed American public threw the bonds back on the market, Morgan forced bankers and brokers to support the Morgan-Mussolini loan on threat to withhold other offerings.

### **Press Fooled American People**

The American investment in Mussolini's regime is more than \$600,000,000. (It is larger in Germany, about \$1,400,000,000, but much of it made to cities under the Republic not to known Hitler-backers.) In order to float the loans press agents were hired to create the myth that Mussolini had saved Italy from Bolshevism. A vast propaganda was used to fool the American public, but the main fooling was done by the Associated Press, which serves almost all the morning papers, and the Cortesi family, which represented the AP, New York Times, Daily Mail, Reuters, and many other newspapers. Isaac Marcossion of the Saturday Evening Post, boomed Mussolini. Kenneth L. Roberts did the same. The fact that Mussolini had lowered the standard of living of the nation to its worst point in modern history was suppressed; the lies of prosperity, success, trains running on time, land reclamation, public works (some of which had been completed by the Socialist regime before Fascism) were sold to the American people.

### **Jewish Fascists Too**

Where Big Business and Big Money is concerned, there are no racial, religious or color lines: the Big Money is always reactionary, usually Fascist.

The fact that rich and powerful Jews as well as rich and powerful Protestants, Catholics and Mohammedans, favor Fascism is not surprising. It happened everywhere, is happening here.

It is interesting to note however, that one of the most sensational facts about the origin and success of original Fascism is that its first fund-raiser and treasurer was a Jew.

Mussolini took over the Italian government as an agent for the Liga Industriale, Confederazione Generale dell'Industria, etc., the equivalent of our National Association of Manufacturers and Chamber of Commerce. Money was collected by bankers and manufacturers. The bank which had charge of Fascism was the Banca Commerciale di Milano. The president of that bank was Giuseppe Toeplitz, a Polish-born Jew, and one of the original backers of Fascism.

### **DuPonts Interests in German War Works**

Robert Wohlforth, of the Nye-Vandenberg committee investigating merchants of death, later secretary of the LaPollette Committee investigating violations of civil liberties and rights of labor, informs IN FACT that the newspapers of America played down revelations affecting big corporations and in many instances suppressed such news. (Carey McWilliams has testified that the press, notably in California, suppressed or buried sensational testimony re the Associated Farmers; at the same time the press overplayed every fraud coming out of the Dies Committee.)

One of the great stories suppressed or hypocritically buried alive, concerned the secret arming of Hitler by the DuPonts. The DuPonts today are making money out of both sides of the world war, because, according to Exhibit 456 of the Nye report they own stock in Dynamit-Actien Gesellschaft (DAG), carrying a voting right and therefore a voice in company management.

Furthermore, Ex. 456 shows the Duponts having a financial interest in I. G. Farbenindustrie, the German chemical trust, and Deutsche Gold und Silber Scheidanstalt.

### **International Secrets Exchange**

The exchange of military secrets, exposed as having taken place before the First World War, continued in preparation for the Second. An agreement was entered into between DuPont, Imperial Chemicals and Vereinigte Koln-Rottweiler Pulverfabriken and DAG. The DuPont deal with the Germans says in part: "Each party agrees to and until the 31st day of December, 1935, A.D., upon

ernment interference with business, suspend civil liberties, disregard rights of labor. Willkie proved himself a complete reactionary, made no attempt to live up to the label "liberal" pinned on him by expert advertising men for political purposes. (Since publishing foregoing, a third member of the National Press Club has written in confirmation.)

### **Willkie's Word to Lamont**

IN the same issue IN FACT published a statement from a noted Washington correspondent that a senator who was present informed him he had attended a dinner given Willkie in New York by Lamont and Morgan partners, where Willkie said he favored sending an American Army to fight on foreign soil. IN FACT suggested a congressional investigation. Previously, IN FACT had published facts about Willkie's corporation being a Morgan corporation, and the activities of Lamont, who is the Goebbels of the Morgan Empire, among the delegates nominating Willkie.

### **Coughlin Endorses Willkie**

NO. 6, July 29: The sensational story of the \$25,000,000 annual bribery and corruption fund which the public utilities established to keep America favoring private ownership of light and power corporations, was summarized. The National Electric Light Association quit when exposed. The Edison Electric Institute took its place with same officials. Willkie is a trustee. The NELA boasted it "reached" 4/5th the American press, 1,600 of our 2,000 dailies. These newspapers are named in the 73-vol. report of the Federal Trade Commission.

The Willkie record was concluded with the statement that although the candidate issued a forthright unequivocal statement denouncing anti-semitism, Coughlin, Social Justice, the Christian Fronters who are the Hitlerites of America in spreading anti-semitism, endorse Willkie.

Before the nomination, Coughlin proposed Willkie and Lindbergh for President and Vice-President. Since then Coughlin booms Willkie, credits himself with selecting him. Coughlin's Social Justice predicts that the battle between Roosevelt and Willkie will be: "Experimentation vs. Success; Marxism vs. Americanism; Bureaucracy vs. Democracy . . ." This is from page 3, July 8. On page 4 Social Justice praises the 17 Christian Fronters recently on trial in New York as men "intent on saving America from Communism, from Jewish domination and from semitic ideology."

### **Coughlin, Fascist Liar**

EXPOSING the Christian Front April 1, 1939, Roy Howard's World-Telegram, now leading Willkie paper, said thousands enlisted "as allies and instruments of Nazi anti-Jewish propaganda . . . thanks to Father Coughlin." Roy Howard's newspaper chain says nothing today about Coughlinite support of its chosen hero.

Coughlin has been exposed as a liar by Monsignor Ryan, who has published accurate analysis of Coughlin's use of forgeries and falsifications; Coughlin has peddled forgeries and uttered lies over



the radio. Even Alfred E. Smith accused Coughlin of lying.

But unless Wendell Willkie supports his statement against anti-semitism with a repudiation of Coughlin support, it will look like a case of political opportunism, hypocrisy.

## Democratic Party Hypocrites

HYPOCRISY is not a party monopoly. The Democrats were so fearful of losing Southern votes, they refused to take action against the Ku Klux Klan for years.

Both parties are guilty of sabotaging the anti-lynching bill.

The National Negro Congress has challenged Willkie to support the Geyer Bill to outlaw the poll tax. White terrorists keep Negroes from voting in the South, the poll tax disenfranchises millions of the poor.

President Roosevelt and Cordell Hull have done nothing to save the lives of thousands of refugees, Czechs, Germans, Austrians, and Spaniards, Catholics, Protestants and Jews, leading anti-Fascists, writers, scientists, women and children interned by "democratic" France, now in danger of death—if they have not already been murdered by Hitler. Roosevelt welcomes royalty instead. What hypocrisy to arm America against Fascism and refuse to save the lives of leading anti-Fascists.

## Dorothy T.: Deadly Parallel

UNDER the above heading the St. Louis Post-Dispatch notes that Miss Thompson's "mental gyrations are blitzkrieg swift." June 6 Miss T. told Congress the country "should go to war, and go now." (She was willing to sacrifice a million American lives to save the British Imperialism from Hitler Imperialism.) A month later the P-D says, Miss T. told the country she favored a strategy which "must be one which will neither involve us in a war, which in our present state of preparedness and in view of already lost opportunities, will be insane. . . ." Concluded P-D: "She floats thru the air with the greatest of ease, this daring young girl on the flying trapeze."

## Stukas in Lithuania

AN authoritative source in Lithuania air-mails IN FACT: When the Soviet army began strengthening its bases in Lithuania recently several hundred German airplanes used as Stukas or divebombers, which had just landed at unoccupied fields, disappeared. Soviet authorities discovered after their garrisons occupied all available strongpoints, that a great mobilization of 80,000 German "tourists" for a national "sports festival" had been called, to take place in the capital. The day set was the fourth after the Soviet troops reinforced the original garrisons. It was not held.

## Publishers' Dirty Tricks

YEARS ago, before William Allen White grew senile, he accused America's publishers of corrupting a profession into an 8% business. These big businessmen, known as the American Newspaper Publishers Association, are leading the fight

making or obtaining any patented invention or discovering or acquiring any secret invention, to disclose in writing to the other party immediately, or in any event within six months thereafter, full particulars in respect thereof . . ."

(Note: DuPont exposure to be continued)

## War Hysteria Threatens Liberty

It has become criminal to defend civil liberties, or perhaps liberalism flees when no F.B.I. pursues.

The Civil Liberties Union annual report is called "In the Shadow of War." It is the annual picture ranging from the denial of constitutional rights to minorities, to lynching. A note enclosed with the report reads:

"Nothing in 'In the Shadow of War' is to be construed as opposition to the national defense program or conscription, with which the Union is not concerned, except at points where freedom of opinion or conscience is involved."

War hysteria is sweeping the land. The press is 87% for peacetime conscription, heretofore denounced as Fascism. Minorities, especially foreigners, are terrorstricken. We suspect the Liberties Union has learned from Washington that merely the defense of Liberty makes one liable to persecution these days. Otherwise, why the disclaimer?

## Faking the News: Mexico

IN FACT is fortunate in having as correspondents in Mexico several noted journalists, employees of great newspapers, who are contributing gratis. Hiram Motherwell, once Chicago Daily News man in Rome, accompanied other correspondents on election day. He writes:

"Please keep readers of IN FACT aware that the correspondents consistently suppressed the fact that the pro-government labor unions kept their people off the streets to prevent wholesale bloodshed which the Almazanistas were hoping for in order to 'prove' that Mexico is in a state of anarchy.

"The handling of the elections in the U. S. A. newspapers was a shameful performance. . . . I'm not blaming the newspaper boys for not telling exactly what happened, but I blame them for not reporting basic facts known to all. For example:

"1. They knew the labor unions kept its people off the streets to prevent bloodshed, and did not report it;

"2. They knew this was the reason the city seemed predominately pro-Almazan, and did not report it.

"3. They knew all Almazan crowds were organized, and did not report it.

"4. They did not know whether or not Almazan had a majority but reported or implied it.

"5. They knew the basic issues, progress vs. reaction, knew Almazan's shady past with the Nazis, but did not indicate anything more than two generals wanting to be boss.

"It's hard to say any one reporter lied in a specific case, but by what they omitted plus what they assumed without factual basis, the reports add up to a perfect falsification."

IN FACT's correspondents agree that the New York Times Mexican reportage contained misrepresentations.

## "Life" Lies About Mexico

The weekly "Life" (2,857,738 subscribers, 19,900,000 claimed readers) said July 1: "Seething beneath the surface, however, is the Communistic program of the 'New Revolution' led by . . . the soulful-eyed Labor Leader Lombardo Toledano and his armed labor militia. . . . Only real threat of revolution is from Lombardo, no matter who wins."

This paragraph contains three lies:

1. Lombardo and the labor union protested to "Life" that the charge of Communism is false.

2. The CTM "militia" is not armed.

3. "It is a 100% lie that the only threat of revolution comes from Lombardo."—Motherwell.

The only threat of revolution comes from Almazan and others, now as in the past financed by the Standard Oil Company, Royal Dutch Shell, and other corporations.

## Why Do Correspondents Lie?

"Generally speaking," concludes another internationally noted correspondent, writing to IN FACT about his colleagues, "why do they lie about Mexico? Chiefly because they know nothing about Mexico, about real democracy, about the Mexican revolution. I really don't think most of them lie in bad faith—and the 'paid agents of the oil companies' line is just silly as applied to correspondents though not to their papers." *Colliers*, *Liberty*, *Life* and the *Saturday Evening Post* are all anti-Mexican. They are all connected with the oil, mining and other corporations which suffered financial losses when Mexico began distributing land and wealth in an effort to end poverty. The owners of some 50

American newspapers and magazines have financial interests in Mexico. No correspondent would dream of writing true Mexican stories for them.

## The Liberty to Fake

Thirty deliberate errors are pointed out in the July 17 issue of "Liberty," "Storm Signals on the Rio Grande," and the whole story called a fake by IN FACT's correspondent (who has lived in Mexico for years) because there is practically not a totally true paragraph in it. Sample: "Both organizations ('nazist' Vanguardia and 'communistic' CTM) have organized private armies which are being whipped into military shape by European drillmasters. The Vanguardists have an elite corps of 20,000 stormtroopers, while the CTM's army is a poorly armed, less disciplined outfit, although ten times stronger numerically." Facts: Vanguardia's aid to Nazis negligible; 20,000 stormtroopers figure is just silly; no one has seen them, no one has seen drillmasters; the CTM has 31,000 on paper, perhaps 18,000 effectives, nothing like 200,000; they are unarmed. Another 100% lie reports Cardenas under Moscow inspiration, started to dispossess the Church. This was done by Calles, in 1927.

## Paulette Goddard Phony

Of the popular magazines Look and Friday have been fair to Mexico. But someone got Look to participate in what our Mexico correspondent calls "a really prize lie about Mexico" in its July 30 issue, featuring Paulette Goddard who "helped Diego Rivera escape death."

Rivera did not quarrel with Trotsky, his wife did, writes our correspondent; there is no tunnel to San Angel Inn, therefore the story of Rivera's tunnel escape is untrue; Rivera never went into hiding, therefore the story of Paulette's feeding him for three days, and getting into a shooting affray with police, is untrue; the whole story of fleeing by night in autos is untrue because Rivera and Paulette went by commercial plane, giving out interviews.

## Fortnight's Foremost Falsehood

Well known commentators at WMCA and WQXR informed us that the code of ethics regarding neutrality in European War is off so far as Russia and Germany are concerned; it is still correct to be fair to Germany, and Italy is never attacked, but any libel, lie, forgery, and fraud against Russia is okay with National, Columbia and Mutual.

For "leading liar of the fortnight" IN FACT nominates John B. Kennedy who (WEAF, 7.15, Aug. 2) said: "Russia has created a new republic, Moldavia, from land previously stolen from Rumania,—Bessarabia." The return of land stolen in 1920 becomes theft to this notorious redbaiter of 1940.

## Farm Press Against War

The little farm papers which really serve the farmers (as compared to the crooked farm press which is run by big corporations to fool the farmers) is about 100% against American involvement in war, according to a survey by Farm Research. Republican and Democratic campaign managers take notice. Seattle Washington Grange News, Helena, Montana, Peoples Voice, Thomasville, Georgia, Press, Southern News Almanac of Alabama, Dundee, Michigan, Reporter, Grange Herald of Maine, Montana Farmer, and dozens of other farm papers want no hysterics and no war. Some even suggest that our factories be used for producing useful goods instead of explosives.

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to kill the Wagner Act, the Magna Carta of labor. One reason they fight the law—which they declared unconstitutional several months before the Supreme Court held it constitutional—is because it forces them to pay decent wages to newspaper men. The latest dirty trick of the ANPA is to ask that newspaper men be labeled "professional men" and therefore exempt from wage protection.

Dirtiest trick of the fortnight: Arthur Hays Sulzberger, New York Times, stalled the Newspaper Guild for weeks. When finally they asked for a Guild contract, Sulzberger confronted them with a newly formed A. F. of L. union, headed by several renegade radicals.

## Saturday Evening Post Fascism

IN full page advertisements the Saturday Evening Post tells America it is publishing articles to save it from Hitlerism. To fight ignorance, it says, "the SEP brings into the open issues which the American people must decide for themselves . . . the Post turns the spotlight on the issues. . . . By lighting up the dark corners of the national scene . . . the Post is helping to keep America honestly and fearlessly informed."

The August 3 number contains an underhand attack on the Newspaper Guild. The July 27 issue contained an attack on Mme. Perkins by a renegade socialist named Stolberg, in which the old lie about the CIO being communist-dominated is repeated.

The SEP is anti-labor, notoriously anti-CIO; it is anti-progressive ideas, it is pro-Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Manufacturers. It defended Mussolini for years, lauded Hugo Stinnes, Ivar Kreuger, and the arch-Fascist Deterding whose biography it published.

In short, the Post has performed one of the most important pro-Fascist functions in America, and calls it keeping America "honestly and fearlessly informed."

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